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If you have a question or comment for inclusion in the weekly TRADENET newsletter, please send it and your contact information to robertj.bennett@dhs.gov <<mailto:robertj.bennett@dhs.gov>>. USFA reserves the right to edit content submitted or reject any material submitted.

Any replies will need to be directed to my email address robertj.bennett@dhs.gov <<mailto:robertj.bennett@dhs.gov>>

TRADE's Virtual TRADEing Post is online and running. This site allows you to see an index of each of the 10 CD's, then access and download any specific lesson plan or program you see and use it as you need in your Department. When you find a file you wish to download, just open it and then "SAVE AS" to your computer. Then you can modify it as you wish. Remember, please do not take any program and use it in a copyrighted program. The intent of TRADE is to "share" information that will allow the Fire Service not to reinvent the wheel each and every time they need something. The site is <<http://feti.lsu.edu/municipal/NFA/TRADE/>>. Please provide me feedback regarding your thoughts and ideas about this page.

Also, if you find the Virtual TRADEing Post useful, please send an email to Wil Dane wdane1@lsu.edu <<mailto:wdane1@lsu.edu>> and Nashid Hasan mhasan1@lsu.edu <<mailto:mhasan1@lsu.edu>>. Nash is the mastermind behind the structure of the Virtual TRADEing Post, but his boss, Wil allows him to assist us in this endeavor. So, please let them know how much you appreciate the availability of this material and how useful you find it.

Several people have experienced difficulty accessing the TRADE's Virtual TRADEing Post through the address published and have contacted me for suggestions. If you have experienced difficulty accessing TRADE's Virtual TRADEing Post, try the following.

Go to Louisiana State University Fire and Emergency Training Institute's Homepage: <<http://www.feti.lsu.edu>> and try accessing it from there. At the bottom of the right-hand column of LSU-FETI's Homepage the NFA is listed. Below this is the TRADE Repository. You can "click" on this and it should take you to TRADE's Virtual TRADEing Post.

A word of warning, TRADE's Virtual TRADEing Post contains an enormous amount of information so it will take some time to load. Be patient.

Hopefully this will solve any challenges experienced accessing TRADE's Virtual TRADEing Post.

Are you aware of the FEMA Training Resources page? If not go to <<http://www.training.fema.gov>> and you will see several links to training resources. At that page, there is a

NETC Virtual Campus which includes 13 self-study course which you can receive a certificate. There is also a link to NFA page that will take you to the off-campus courses that include an additional 13 courses. Both of these links are a method of connecting your personnel to a self-study capability that will allow them to receive credit for the training.

Another thing for you Training Chief's (or whatever title you carry) is if you teach a National Fire Academy hand-off course (any of the at least 44 handed off) then PLEASE have the students complete the 75.5A (short form) and mail it in to the National Fire Academy Admissions Office. The students will receive a certificate and the course will be entered in their transcript here on Campus. This will benefit the student and the Academy.

Well, I'm back, and with a new knee. Doing great. I'm still in therapy for a few more weeks, but at least making headway toward where I need to be. I have a great flex but still am a little short on the extension of the knee. But I'm able to get around without anything most of the time. I carry a cane with me for when I get "out in the open" and don't have a wall or desk close by. Thanks for all your emails I really appreciated them.

Take care and be safe

Bob

The link to the USFA/NFA TRADE Site is:

<<http://www.usfa.fema.gov/dhtml/fire-service/nfa-train2.cfm>>

#1

The Montgomery County, MD Fire and Rescue Service purchased 100 plus MSA Advantage 1000 APRs for use in warm zone of long term incidents. We purchased the APRs prior to development and release of the MSA Millennium APR. Most of the masks have yet to be used. The mask uses a cartridge attaching process that has three different size prongs that fit into slots in the mask then the cartridge is provided one quarter turn to attach. We have noticed that when using the APR in active operations where jostling can occur that the canister can be easily dislodged and fall off the mask. Has anyone else had this problem?

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#2

I am enrolled in the Executive Fire Officer Program (EFO) at the National Fire Academy. I am currently working on a research project for the Executive Development class. My topic: Development of a Formalized Structure for the Emergency Operations Center at the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Board. I am looking for ideas and examples of EOC operational manuals and guidelines that might be useful in my research. DFW Airport is transitioning over to using the Incident Command System in the EOC. Any thoughts, comments and examples would be greatly appreciated. I will gladly share my product upon completion.

Thanks in advance for any assistance.

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#3

We are a combination fire department comprising of 35 paid firefighters and 40 volunteers. Two of the paid firefighters are females, with one currently in her 7th month of pregnancy. We need your help! We need to know what your department does with a pregnant firefighter (preferably in a paid circumstance but volunteer firefighter information will be helpful as well). Do you offer a light-duty position upon notification of the pregnancy? Do you force the firefighter to use up all her leave time (sick, personal, vacation, etc.)? Do you put her on long-term disability for the 9 months during the pregnancy and the 6-12 weeks following the birth? What do you do regarding training opportunities, promotional opportunities, etc.? All information will be greatly appreciated!

Thanks!

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#4

The Clark County Fire Department (Las Vegas, NV) is seeking training division staffing information for agencies with a suppression force greater than 500 personnel. Specifically, we are seeking the following information: FTE assigned to the training division, titles and roles of the training center personnel (i.e., Deputy/Division/Assistant Chief of Training (Administration/Management etc), Fire Training Captain/Officer/Instructor (Officer Development, Recruit Training, In-service Training, Driver Operator etc), Support Staff (Curriculum Developer, Records Management, Office Manager/Assistant etc).

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I will compile the information and share with any interested parties.

#5

I am looking to create an SOP for mass decon. We are a volunteer district with a total of 6 apparatus to work with. Also, are there any liabilities in using class B suits for decon purposes, without having advanced HAZ-MAT training, such as Technician Level? Any sample SOP's and Liability considerations would be appreciated.

Thanks
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#6

I am trying to track down information on Rules/Regulations pertaining to

Junior Firefighter Programs. Specifically, I am looking for federal, Texas State, or other restrictions (OSHA, TCFP, etc.) on what junior firefighters are allowed to participate and what they are restricted from.

Thanks in advance.

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#7

The basis behind my posting is due to an applied research paper I am writing for the EFO program at the National Fire Academy. My research paper will address the escalating firefighter injury rates occurring on the Huber Heights Division of Fire. I will compare the national injury rates and injury rates to firefighters in the United Kingdom. The information I am seeking is this:

1. What was the total number of firefighters in the U.K. for the years 1998 through 2002?
2. What was the total number of firefighter injuries in the U.K. for the years 1998 through 2002?

I am seeking this information to compare our fire division with the U.K. and also those in the United States.

One can sent me this information at either e-mail addresses:

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#8

I am looking for information or samples of programs developed to train public safety dispatchers about the Fire/EMS side of the dispatching field. Currently our municipality is dispatched by civilian dispatchers who typically have little knowledge of dynamics of the Fire/EMS operations. If anyone has a program that might be applicable please contact me at ffraitzl@ci.merrimack.nh.us <<mailto:ffraitzl@ci.merrimack.nh.us>> or (603) 424-3690

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#9

I am looking for policies or procedures for when to activate Warning Sirens. My City along with 7 others have grouped together to purchase warning sirens on a regional basis. We have purchased 20 sirens for these communities and are looking for what policies others may have for sounding them, and ANY information on how to train the public in what to do when the sirens do activate. Also any suggestions as far as what types of media you used to get your public education messages out would also help. All of the sirens are scheduled to be installed around September but we are looking at this stuff now.

Any downfalls or issues that anyone may have will also help us in our planning for this regional project.

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#10

Could someone share their SOPs on uses of Thermal Imaging Cameras with me?
Please send them to me.

Thanks

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#11

I am looking for information pertaining to the breakdown of the 240-hour new recruitment requirements needed to meet the ISO ratings for a Volunteer Fire Department.
Any information would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for any information

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#12

We have had as many as six recent PASS device failures on emergency scenes. All would appear to follow the device getting wet during either fire attack or decon. Subsequently the PASS has either shut down entirely or alarmed continuously. Has anyone had a similar problem with The MSA integrated PASS device? And if so what was the fix you did.
Thanks,

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#13

Can anyone provide me with supplier information for the instructor manual & ppt slides for the EPA HAZMAT Tech course.

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#14

I'm asking if NFA or any other organization has put the Fire Inspection Principles and Practices Course slides on to a Power Point Program on CD? We are using this course and its one of the few that hasn't been converted over to a CD.

Can anyone help me here?

Thanks.

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-----INFORMATIONAL ITEMS-----

2004 Line of Duty Deaths

Date	Name	Age	Department	Cause of Death
4-Jan	Leslie Gant Jr.	46	Sicklerville, NJ.	Stroke/seizure
14-Jan	Richard Jones	65	Maryland Line, MD.	Heart attack
15-Jan	Derrick Harvey	45	Philadelphia, PA.	Burn injuries
21-Jan	Keith Firmment	35	Latrobe, PA.	Heart attack
22-Jan	Charles Hatch	48	Bridgewater, MA.	Heart attack
24-Jan	Kevin Shea	54	Elsmere, NY.	Heart attack
27-Jan	David Mackie	35	Orange City, FL.	Heart attack
31-Jan	Jean Nuckols	47	Norfolk, VA.	Possible Stroke

8 LODD's in January

3-Feb	Michael Lynch	32	Penrose, CO.	Struck by vehicle on scene
4-Feb	Glenn Gladerisi	53	Wayne, NJ.	Heart attack
13-Feb	Brenda Cowan	45	Lexington, KY.	Shot on an EMS response
15-Feb	Robert Heminger	39	Wood River, NE.	Building Collapse
16-Feb	Ernest Heatherman	45	Brisben, NY.	Heart attack
17-Feb	Kenny Woitalewicz	38	Wood River, NE.	Building Collapse
18-Feb	Steve Fierro	40	Carthage, MO.	Fighting structural fire
22-Feb	Elliott Davis Jr.	51	Gloster, MS.	Apparatus rollover
23-Feb	Bret Neff	37	Harford, NY.	Crushed between fire apparatus
23-Feb	Eddie Conricote	55	Youngstown, OH.	Undetermined
23-Feb	Rich Gabrielli	70	Vandergrift, PA.	Undetermined

11 LODD's in February

3-Mar	Eddie Peters	40	Tallahassee, FL.	Vehicle rollover
11-Mar	Mark Miller	43	Laconia, NH.	Drowning
13-Mar	Robert Griffin	38	Prospect, CT.	Heart attack
13-Mar	Mario Cunha	32	Soledad, CA.	Hit and Run accident
13-Mar	Richard Stefanakis	51	Pittsburgh, PA.	Structural collapse
13-Mar	Charles Brace	55	Pittsburgh, PA.	Structural collapse
16-Mar	James Towell	63	Boise, ID.	Airplane crash
16-Mar	Barrie Niebergall	56	Breckenridge, CO.	Unknown
17-Mar	Victor Scott	61	Otter Creek, FL	Heart attack
21-Mar	Mike Lehnen	57	Bethalto, IL.	Stroke
21-Mar	Terri Eiland	40	Moss Point, MS.	Apparatus rollover
25-Mar	Ken Temke	45	Alexandria, KY.	Unknown
28-Mar	Rick Wilbur	56	Eaton Rapids, MI.	Heart attack
28-Mar	James Pennington	62	Crossett, AR.	Heart attack

14 LODD's in March

4-Apr	Kevin Kulow	32	Houston, TX.	Structural collapse
6-Apr	Phillip Hulen	19	Newton Grove, NC.	Single vehicle MVA
10-Apr	Kenneth Sterling	43	Moore, SC.	Heart Attack
15-Apr	Mike Fenster	57	Juneau, AK.	Heart Attack
18-Apr	Kevin McIntyre	45	Rockford, IL	Heart Attack
22-Apr	Bruce Rogers	56	Chesterfield, SC	Heart Attack
24-Apr	Alan Toepke	30	Wilmington, IL	Struck by truck
27-Apr	Jeffery Bergstrom	34	Stone Park, IL	Apparatus MVA

8 LODD's in April

3-May	Irwin Gross	58	Brookline, MA	Fall from apparatus
3-May training	Grady Austin	74	Lexington, TN	Fell from tailgate of POV during
11-May	Joseph Boles	58	Fayetteville, NC	Heart attack

13-May	Harry Suggs II	28	Green Pond, AL	Respiratory arrest
13-May	Randy Henderson	42	Forest, MS	Heart attack
13-May	Jeffery Howell	42	Sharon Springs, NY	Heart attack
14-May	Michael Martin	18	Belton, SC	Single vehicle MVA in POV
17-May	Connie Borneman	56	Middle River, MD	Heart attack

49 LODD's

2004 Worldwide Line of Duty Deaths

26-Jan	8 firefighters		Cairo, Egypt	Building Collapse
18-Feb	182 firefighters/ rescue workers		Neyshabur, Iran	Chemical train explosion
26-Feb		46	Yornup, Australia	Crushed by falling tree
14-Mar			Moscow, Russia	Smoke inhalation
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29-Mar	Chad Schapansky	23	Clearwater, Canada	Trapped in basement

194 Worldwide LODD's

 Remaining 2004 TRADE Regional course schedule and delivery sites.

There is no charge for any of these classes and students are needed for all of them. In fact, if you attend, you will be eligible for up to \$100.00 in stipend reimbursement.

CCIO	(N-831)	6/21-26, 2004	Vancouver, WA
CCIO	(N-831)	8/23-28, 2004	Wichita, KS (a change from Lawrence)
CCIO	(N-831)	8/23-28, 2004	Baton Rouge, LA
CCIO	(N-831)	9/13-18, 2004	New Haven, CT
CCIO	(N-831)	9/25-30, 2004	Durango, CO
ASOM	(N-822)	6/21-26	Socorro, NM

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